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Attorney Jack Brenan called on January 15, 2004 to inform the examiner that the information disclosure statement (IDS), dated October 2, 2003, has been sent to the US PTO, but the notice of allowability dated 10-29-03 does not appear to have the initialed PTO-1449 attached therein. Immediately, the examiner checked PALM and eDAN and discovered that neither PALM nor eDAN has any record of the IDS dated 10/2/03. The examiner advised Applicant then that Applicant should call the examiner on January 28, 2004 prior to the deadline of the due issue fee to inquire about the IDS, which should be scanned and imaged by then. Thus, at the time of issuring the notice of allowability, the examiner could not have known about the IDS dated October 2, 2003. In any case, on January 28, 2004, Attorney Jack Brenan called and inquired about the IDS. The examiner then checked eDAN and PALM: While PALM does not provide any information about the mailed IDS, eDAN does show that the PTO-1449 has been scanned and a printer rush has been issued to notify the examiner about the entered PTO-1449, which must be initialed and dated prior to issue of the case. As such, the reviewed citations, which also had been cited in the parent applications, have been considered, initialed and dated by the examiner. The initialed and dated PTO-1449 is attached to this communication. In view of the reasons set foth above, and in view of the prosecution history, particularly applicant's response dated August 4, 2003, all pending claims remain allowable.

DAVET. NGUYEN PRIMARY EXAMINER